Blaze and the Monster Machines

Blaze and the Monster Machines is a CGI interactive educational animated television series with a focus of learning about STEM, as well as teaching facts about Animals (in the "Wild Wheels" episodes). The series premiered on Nickelodeon on October 13, 2014. It was renewed for a fourth season in June 2016.

Blaze and the Stupid Machines!

Why It Sucks

1. The main character, Blaze, is a Marty-Stu. Throughout the entire series, he **never** makes a single mistake. He wins every single race, he is unhealthily nice, and everybody loves him.
2. The show has a bad case of the Protagonist Centered Morality trope. Blaze cheats by shapeshifting and using his blazing speed, and nobody complains about it. When Crusher cheats, everybody complains about it. Double standard much?
3. Crusher, even though he is annoying, has a good reason to hate Blaze - for being a little goody-four-wheels. And he always wins, so Crusher has a good reason to constantly cheat. However, no one tries to help him learn good sportsmanship or be a better racer, and they treat him like he's related to Adolf Hitler.
4. The animation is absolutely terrible. The colors are dull and there's little to no depth or fluidity.
5. Much like *Shimmer and Shine*, sometimes there are random songs that play in the episodes, and they are extremely forgettable, bland pop tunes.
6. A lot of the episodes are rehashes of each other. Most of the episodes have Blaze meeting a new friend, said friend losing something, and Blaze and AJ going on a mission to get it back.
7. The show tries to teach science, technology, engineering, and math, but it just feels shoehorned in.
8. It's obviously made to sell toys. Like *Paw* and *Shimmer*, the show is constantly introducing new settings, characters, and themes in order to sell some random toy.
9. They talk to the audience, even though that trend is dead.
10. They think they're so cool because they managed to get celebrities like Billy Ray Cyrus on the show.
11. Pickle is an offensive gay stereotype.
12. It is a ripoff of the *Cars* franchise.

Redeeming qualities

1. The theme song is a bop.
2. At least it tries to be educational, unlike other modern Nick Jr series which don't even try.

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